

# The Electronic Systems Center's Hansconian

Vol. 43 • No. 8

Hanscom AFB, Mass.

February 26, 1999

## Hanscom celebrates veterans' week

by **Capt. Joe Allegretti**  
ESC Public Affairs

The Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital in Bedford is a labyrinth of wards and corridors.

Many of its patients have no family members and some have been confined there for decades with visitors too few and far between.

But Feb. 11, smiles glimmered, eyes twinkled and spirits lifted as over 65 Hanscom volunteers took time out of their busy schedules to embrace a commitment to our Nation's veterans. The commitment: "To care for him who shall have borne battle, and for his widow, and his orphan." President Abraham Lincoln, in his second inaugural address to Congress in 1865, put forth that commitment.

The VA hospital visit kicked off the 1999 National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans' Week, Feb. through Feb. 19, with special emphasis on Valentine's Day. The annual salute began in 1978 and its purpose is to pay tribute to veterans hospitalized in Veterans' Affairs and other hospitals and to encourage Americans to visit hospitalized veterans.

The visit began with a gathering of over 10 volunteer organizations and greetings from the hospital's staff. Thomas Hudner, Medal of Honor recipient and Commissioner of Veterans Services for Massachusetts, read the Governor's Proclamation for the Salute.

Hanscom's Band of Liberty provided a musical centerpiece to the opening ceremony. Senior Airman Frances Wright sung an emotionally charged National Anthem as many veterans and patients chimed in and sang along. Master Sgt. Peter Harrison led a three-piece combination through a medley of all five service's hymns, with members of each service standing to ovation during their particular song.

Then came the heart of the matter - the ward visitations. Hanscom volunteers and volunteers from a variety of other organizations were split into groups of about 15 and led by hospital staff to their visiting areas.

Volunteers passed out Valentine's balloons, cards and sweets to the patients they visited. The Valentine's cards were hand-made by children from local elementary schools. Inside the cards were the children's hand-written messages.

Reading the Valentine's cards to the veterans captured the mood of the day with words like "I love you" and "thank you for being a veteran and keeping me free." Senior Master Sergeant Lois La Fleur of the 66th Mission Support Squadron noted how the most simple of messages could sum things up. La Fleur read a card written by an eight-year-old that said, "Happy Valentine's Day, thank you for saving our country."

See Veterans (page 7)



photo by Capt. Joe Allegretti

Master Sgt. Bob LaPlante, 66th Mission Support Center, delivers a heart-shaped balloon to one of the veterans. The week, which includes Feb. 14, places a special emphasis on Valentines Day.

### Taking care of our own

## Fund drive collects for the Air Force family

by **Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer**  
ESC Public Affairs

Hanscom launched the 1999 Air Force Assistance Fund drive yesterday.

Representatives from each unit will be available over the next five weeks to assist people wishing to give. The tax deductible donations can be given throughout the year by payroll deduction or as a one-time cash gift.

Unlike other drives that collect money for a number of groups or causes, the fund collects for four affiliate organizations that provide support only to Air Force families.

Perhaps the most well known of the fund's affiliates is the Air Force Aid Society. The official charity of the Air Force, the society helps relieve financial emergencies faced by active duty members and their families.

Last year, Hanscom received over \$75,000 in emergency assistance loans

and grants, \$27,000 in education grants and \$11,000 in community enhancements such as the Bundles for Babies and the Nursing Moms programs.

"Taking care of our own," is a common theme in the fund. It is also a prime reason it attracts so much volunteer support.

One person, who happened to be at Grand Forks during the 1997 flood, got to see the fund in action first hand when it gave out \$750,000 in grants and loans to flood victims. "It was the main reason I volunteered," said 1st Lt. Butch Ray, who is Hanscom's project officer for this year's drive.

"There were several people I knew that got interest-free loans and even some grants to find temporary shelter," said Ray. "I don't know what they would have done without Air Force Aid's help."

See Assistance (page 4)

### Air Force Assistance Fund unit representatives

ACCSO — Capt. Anton Komatz AFRL — 1st Lt. Mike Currie	MC — 1st Lt. Jason Parsonn
AFELM JPPSO — Staff Sgt. John Fountain	ND — Capt. Joel Johnsonn
AFRL Rome, N.Y. — Capt. Eunice Ciskowski	PA — Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer
AW — Capt. Chris Pillow	PK — Capt. Larry Woodss
BAND — Staff Sgt. Henry Martin BP — Burt Wadas	SE — Master Sgt. Dave Cacciottii
CC, IG — Capt. John Trent	TE — Tech. Sgt. Mike Severnss
CU — 1st Lt. Bill Shearstone	ZJ — Master Sgt. Darryl Lindgens
DI — 1st Lt. Melanie Shepperd	66 ABW — Senior Master Sgt. Gini Pennington
FA — Ajay Malhotra	66 CES — Airman 1st Class Mark Adamss
FD — 1st Lt. Steve Drollengerr	66 LG — Staff Sgt. Chris Asuncion
FM — 1st Lt. John Bell	66 MG — Capt. Nicole Moseses
FX — 1st Lt. Kirsten Fairr	66 MSS — Senior Airman Jason Stacyy
GA — 1st Lt. Darren Edmondss	66 SC — Senior Airman David Cox
IN — Airman 1st Class Philip Hokee	66 SF — Tech. Sgt. Mark Leever r
IO — 2nd Lt. Felicia Belll	66 SV — Staff Sgt. Steven Cookk
IY — Capt. Keith Albeee	23 SOPS — Master Sgt. Garry Naughtonn
JA — Staff Sgt. Kelly Apholzz	360 RG — Master Sgt. John Byrnee
JS — 1st Lt. Omar Vikin	313 RCS — Staff Sgt. Rick Pottterr
	319 RS — Master Sgt. Anne Nelson

# 3

**66th Logistics  
Group captures top  
honors**

# INSIDE

*Straight Talk, page 2  
Calendar of Events, page 8  
Happenings and Religious  
Activities, page 9  
Services, page 12*

# 10

**ESC announces  
Annual Award  
winners**



## Straight Talk

Straight Talk provides two-way communication between the 66th Air Base Wing commander and people on base.

A 24 hour-a-day telephone line and E-mail account (STRAIGHT TALK) are set up as ways for Hanscom's population to submit questions, complaints or comments, anonymously, if desired. All concerns are personally reviewed by the wing commander.

However, the quickest and most efficient way to communicate comments or complaints is to go right to the source. To assist you, we've listed points of contact and telephone numbers for several key support organizations.

■ 66th Air Base Wing Vice Commander	Maj. Chris P. Wright.....3-3901
Col. Matt Jackson.....3-2302	■ Mission Support Squadron Commander
■ 66th Support Group Commander	Maj. Darrell P. Keating.....3-8875
Col. Peggy A. Shaw.....3-2302	■ Security Police Commander
■ ESC Command Chief Master Sergeant	Maj. Roger A. McNeal.....3-4150
Chief Master Sgt. Michael Kerver.....3-5115	■ Communication, Information Division Director
■ Medical Commander	Lt. Col. Diana M. Youngs.....3-7500
Col. Patrick F. Phelan.....3-4703	■ Civilian Personnel Division Director
■ Civil Engineer Commander	L. Fay Striker.....3-2723
Lt. Col. Patrick R. Daly.....3-3526	■ Logistics Squadron Commander
■ Services Commander	Lt. Col. Donald A. Flowers.....3-3461



**Col. Chris T. Anzalone**  
66th Air Base Wing commander

Also, don't forget your supervisor, commander or first sergeant, they're there to help you.

If you are not satisfied with the response you receive, or are unable to solve the problem, please call the Straight Talk hot line at 3-3732.

## CPR Classes

**Q** I was wondering if there were any CPR classes available, especially for parents who want to take children and infant CPR training. Considering the large population of children on the base, it seems like it would be a great idea to have CPR classes for anyone who is interested in taking them.

**A** While we can't offer CPR classes on base, there are several different CPR courses available locally: □ First Connections in Concord sponsors a course periodically on "Pediatric Basic Life Support" through the New England Health Educators. The class includes one-rescuer CPR and obstructed airway management for infants and children up to age eight. It also covers child safety issues. The cost is \$40 for the three-hour training.

They also sponsor a "Pediatric First Aid" course through the New England Health Educators. The class includes management of shock, bleedings, wounds, burns, poisoning, bone and joint injuries, and childhood illnesses. This four-hour course costs \$45. First Connections' phone number is (978) 287-0221. For additional information from New England Health Educators, call (978) 448-5238.

□ The American Red Cross also provides the Infant and Child CPR courses. According to the Newton office, the cost is \$47. Hanscom residents could choose to attend ARC sponsored courses through the Newton (617) 375-0700, x221, Framingham (508) 875-5275, or Worcester offices (508) 756-5711.

□ Emerson Hospital in Concord offers "Pediatric CPR" (no first aid). Classes are held every other month. They are restricted to six individuals, and cost \$30. The next two scheduled classes are Feb. 17 from 12:45 p.m. to 4 p.m. and April 15 from 6:45 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Emerson Hospital in Concord. The number for Emerson is (978) 287-3050.

## Retreat

**Q** Yesterday I was leaving a building at 4:30. I noticed that several active duty personnel hurried to get inside the building or stepped back inside when they heard the music for Retreat begin. I've seen it a lot at this base. I've actually been honked at for stopping when I am driving in my car and I stop for Retreat. I think people just forget to be aware of it.

**A** This is a recurrent issue. As I was driving around with the Inspector General (IG) team, they noticed it as well. In order to properly honor our nation and flag during Retreat, here are the procedures.

At Hanscom, we raise the flag just after sunrise and lower it at 4:30 p.m., during Retreat. If you are a military member in uniform and are outside, you should come to attention at the first sound of the music and face the flag, or the sound of the music if no flag is in sight. You then render a salute at the first note of our national anthem, and hold the salute until the final note of the music.

If you are a civilian or a military member in civilian clothes, you should stop and face the nearest flag or the direction of the music. Military members should stand at attention; civilians should stand attentively. Hats should be removed, although women have the option of keeping them on. Some people also choose to hold their right hand over their heart.

If you are traveling in a vehicle during retreat, you should stop your vehicle as soon as you get to a safe location and wait attentively in your seat until the music is complete.

I was visiting the clinic one day, and I saw two World War II veterans stop their vehicle, get out of the car, and pay tribute as the national anthem played. I believe that in our hearts, we want to follow their example and honor our anthem and our flag, and the freedoms they represent.

## Enlisted retention faces major challenges

Enlisted retention is a key ingredient to readiness and a major challenge facing the Air Force.

Highly trained, experienced enlisted technicians are one of the cornerstones of the personnel force structure. We are losing these valued resources — people who have leading-edge technical skills and leadership experience — to an extremely competitive job market and the strongest American economy in a generation. High operations tempo, its impact on quality of life, and pay and compensation issues are also major ingredients in the current retention environment.

Reenlistment rates for first- and second-termers and career airmen are down. Air Force officials are particularly concerned with second-term reenlistment rates. In fiscal 1998 only 69 percent of eligible second-termers opted to reenlist. The Air Force needs to retain 75 percent of this group to sustain appropriate experience levels.

In many key warfighting skills, such as aircraft maintenance, avionics, air traffic control and security forces, second-term rates are even lower. First quarter fiscal 1999 retention rates show a continuing decline, and Air Force officials are very concerned about the impact this will have on the service's ability to carry out its mission.

to carry out its mission.

To help combat this trend, officials are working to better manage high OPSTEMPO and improve quality of life. One way they're doing this through the creation of the expeditionary aerospace force, which will change the way the Air Force organizes and deploys combat forces.

Other initiatives include reductions in Air Force and joint training exercises, termination of Quality Air Force Assessments and post-deployment stand-down programs. Readiness noncommissioned officers have been placed in all family support centers, and video teleconferencing and videophones continue to be real morale boosters.

The Air Force has also been concentrating on providing access to quality health care, providing safe and affordable housing, enhancing community and family support programs and expanding educational opportunities.

Additionally, officials are continually "scrubbing" personnel programs, which are important tools in the retention effort and can have direct, immediate results.

One of the most important tools in the personnel "toolbox" is the selective reenlistment bonus program. In the last three years, the Air Force has expanded the number of career fields

eligible for reenlistment bonuses. In fiscal 1997 there were 68 skills eligible for bonuses. That number has increased to 117 for fiscal 1999.

This year also marks the first time since fiscal 1988 that qualifying skills will receive Zone C bonuses for those with 10 to 14 years of service. Enlisted promotion rates also increased during fiscal 1998. Senior master sergeant promotion rates hit a four-year high, while master and technical sergeant rates were at their highest in 12 years. Staff sergeant rates were at their highest in 27 years.

Finally, the Air Force, along with the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the other services, are also working to improve compensation. According to Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel Lt. Gen. Donald L. Peterson, the Air Force must provide a fair and equitable compensation package to attract and retain the best men and women the United States has to offer. Peterson believes that the number-one recruiting and retention issue is compensation, and the number-one compensation issue is retirement, followed closely by pay.

The Air Force is committed to do all it can to ensure policies are developed and implemented that recognize and support highly trained, experienced enlisted people.

## The Electronic Systems Center's Hansconian

The Hansconian is published by Community Newspapers, a private firm in no way connected with the U.S. Air Force, under exclusive written contract with Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.

This commercial enterprise Air Force newspaper is an authorized publication for members of the U.S. military services. Contents of the Hansconian are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government, the Department of Defense or the Department of the Air Force.

The appearance of advertising in this publication, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement by the Department of Defense, the Department of the Air Force or Community Newspapers of the products or services advertised.

Everything advertised in this publication shall be made available for purchase, use or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation or any other non-merit factor of the purchaser, user or patron.

Editorial content is edited, prepared and provided by the Public Affairs office for Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom under Air Force Materiel Command. All photos are Air Force photos unless otherwise indicated.

### Submitting articles

Articles must be submitted by e-mail ([hansconian@hanscom.af.mil](mailto:hansconian@hanscom.af.mil)) or brought in on a 3.5-inch floppy disk or a zip disk to Bldg. 1606, Room 110. Submissions must be received at least one week prior to each Friday's publication.

### Paid ads

To purchase a display ad call Kurt Anderson at 978-371-5705.

### Classified ads

Hansconian free classified ads are available to anyone affiliated with the base. Ads run for two weeks.

Business and rental ads are available for a fee. Call (781) 433-7940.

To place an ad, first complete a classified ad form. Forms are available in the ESC Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 1606, Room 109.

Next, mail the form through BITC to ESC/PA, fax a copy to Theresa Feely at 3-5077 or hand-carry it to the above location. Deadline is noon Friday.

For more information, call the Hansconian office at 3-3912.

### Delivery problems

Call 1-800-722-1914 for problems or questions concerning newspaper delivery to base housing.

Call the Hansconian office if you have questions concerning newspaper delivery to base buildings.

### Hansconian On-line

Visit the Hansconian on the world wide web at [www.hanscom.af.mil/Hansconian](http://www.hanscom.af.mil/Hansconian)

Lt. Gen. Ronald T. Kadish  
Commander, ESC

Lt. Col. Guy Thompson  
Chief, Public Affairs

**Electronic Systems Center Public Affairs Editorial Staff**

Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer  
Chief, Internal Information, 3-8246

Airman 1st Class Jason J. Ide  
Editor, 3-3912

Community Newspaper Company  
150 Baker Avenue Ext., Suite 305  
Concord, Mass. 01742  
News copy 781-377-3912  
Display Advertising 978-371-5705  
Classified Advertising 781-487-SELL

**109 days left to the  
Operational Readiness Inspection**



# ESC Public Affairs takes home AFMC awards

The Electronic Systems Center Public Affairs Office and three of its members earned high honors in the 1998 Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs Achievement Awards and Media Contest.

The 11-member office was named the best of its kind in the command, winning the Director's Excellence Award in the small base category. Additionally, A1C Jason Violette, former editor of the Hansconian, was named Outstanding Public Affairs Airman, and Kevin Gilmartin, chief of Media Relations and deputy director of the office, won the Outstanding Public Affairs Senior Civilian award. In the Media Contest, Capt. Joseph Allegritti won a writing award in the Best News category. All of the AFMC winners have been forwarded to the Air Force-level for consideration.

The Public Affairs Office was recognized for continually developing new and innovative methods of telling the ESC and Hanscom story to the public. The office extensively publicized Hanscom's airshow in June, which drew hundreds of thousands of spectators, and worked closely with neighboring towns to answer concerns over airshow noise and traffic. The office sponsored a multi-chamber of commerce business card exchange on board a C-5 in

October that drew more than 300 attendees, and brought Kiss 108, Boston's number one morning drive time station, to Hanscom as a stop on "Matty's World Tour."

Violette, who was recently reassigned to the Kirtland AFB, N.M. Public Affairs Office, was recognized for his work as Hansconian editor, as well as his work in the community relations division of the office. As editor, Violette helped create a monthly feature highlighting a member of the Hanscom honor guard, and played a vital role in developing and maintaining the newspaper's web page. During the air show he dedicated his time to escorting disabled visitors to their seating section. In his off-duty time he actively participated in the Dormitory Council, and donated over 50 hours of his personal time coaching a Little League T-Ball team. He also served as the publicity chair for the Patriot Enlisted Association, designing and writing a monthly newsletter as well as attending all meetings and publishing minutes for the membership.

Gilmartin was recognized for his work as chief of media relations. Through his personal contacts, he convinced radio station Kiss 108 to broadcast live from Hanscom's enlisted club, and persuaded the Massachu-

setts Newspaper Publishers Association to hold its annual meeting and luncheon at the base Officers Club, featuring Governor Paul Cellucci as guest speaker. Gilmartin was responsible for air show publicity, and represented the base on many occasions in front of local town selectmen to answer their concerns about air show noise and traffic. He regularly serves as a spokesman for the base in local and national publications. Additionally, Gilmartin regularly authors articles for the Hansconian and other publications. His stories were featured as the "top story" on Air Force Link an unprecedented two times last year.

Allegritti was honored for his article on the town of Stoneham honoring America's first Vietnam War casualty, an event he helped support in his role as chief of Community Relations. When the Department of Defense recognized Nov. 1, 1955, the establishment of the Military Assistance Advisory Group to Vietnam, as the beginning of that conflict, it allowed Tech. Sgt. Richard B. Fitzgibbon Jr. of Stoneham to be recognized as America's first Vietnam War casualty. Allegritti's moving account of the Stoneham ceremony earned him the title of AFMC's best newswriter.



## Pull!

A group of children enthusiastically participate in one of the many tug of war events held during the Fiesta Caliente Feb. 19 in the Aero Club Hangar.

(photo by Walt Santos)

## 66th Logistics Squadron, Supply Division Wins AFMC Supply Effectiveness Award

by Lt. Col. Donald Flowers and Senior Master Sgt. Tony Hollins  
66th Logistics Squadron

The 66th Logistics Squadron, Supply Division has been awarded the Air Force Materiel Command (AFMC) Supply Effectiveness Award for Non-Flying Units for 1998.

The award was presented to Col. Chris Anzalone, 66th Air Base Wing commander, Lt. Col. Donald Flowers, 66th Logistics Squadron commander and Capt. Lynn Morehead, chief of Supply by Col. Joseph Hudson, Headquarters AFMC, Supply Division chief. Hudson stated, "The men and women in the Supply Division should be proud of their accomplishments over the past year. Hanscom has led the way in meeting command goals and stockage objectives."

Base Supply leadership continued to demonstrate active, measurable approaches to boost efficiencies, squadron officials said. With the pending Base Supply A-76 announcement, civilian personnel in less productive functions were offered the opportunity to accept details into vacant positions with challenging workloads. This career broadening effort was a win-win situation and jump-started civilian morale. Additionally, military personnel were realigned based on consolidating functions to ensure mission accomplishment despite the exodus of separations, retirements and without backfills due to pending A-76 formal announcement. Squadron leadership remained

focused on an aggressive mentorship program for personnel to achieve family, personal, and professional goals.

Morehead initiated new flight interaction through weekly flight meetings. They are no longer staff meetings, but a time for flight personnel to interact with management on subjects that affect the overall well being of personnel and the flight. The results have been extraordinary, personnel feel more part of the decision making group and they take pride in the daily operation of the flights, Morehead said.

The Supply Division embarked on a dynamic quality journey focused on meeting command goals, reducing unit costs, and sustaining customer satisfaction. This has been an evolutionary process during the past year in order to achieve linkage with command standards, wing quality objectives, and squadron quality metrics.

Quality metrics were a mixture of recurring supply indicators such as issue effectiveness, and other areas identified for improvement such as a total revival of the Logistics Control Center, and processing HAZMAT priority and routine requests. For example, Base Supply personnel seized the initiative to spearhead Logistics Control Center training, update checklists, and review crosstells from other AFMC exercises in September 1997. Their commitment for excellence exceeded expectations every quarter of FY 1998.

The Supply Division will now represent AFMC for the Air Force level competition.

## Rechargeable batteries used to save resources

by Diane J. Fillebrown  
HAZMAT Program Manager

Recycling efforts at Hanscom continue to grow.

The 66th Logistics Squadron, HAZMAT in conjunction with the 66th Civil Engineer, Environmental Flight has purchased rechargeable alkaline batteries and charging units to be used in office and shop areas.

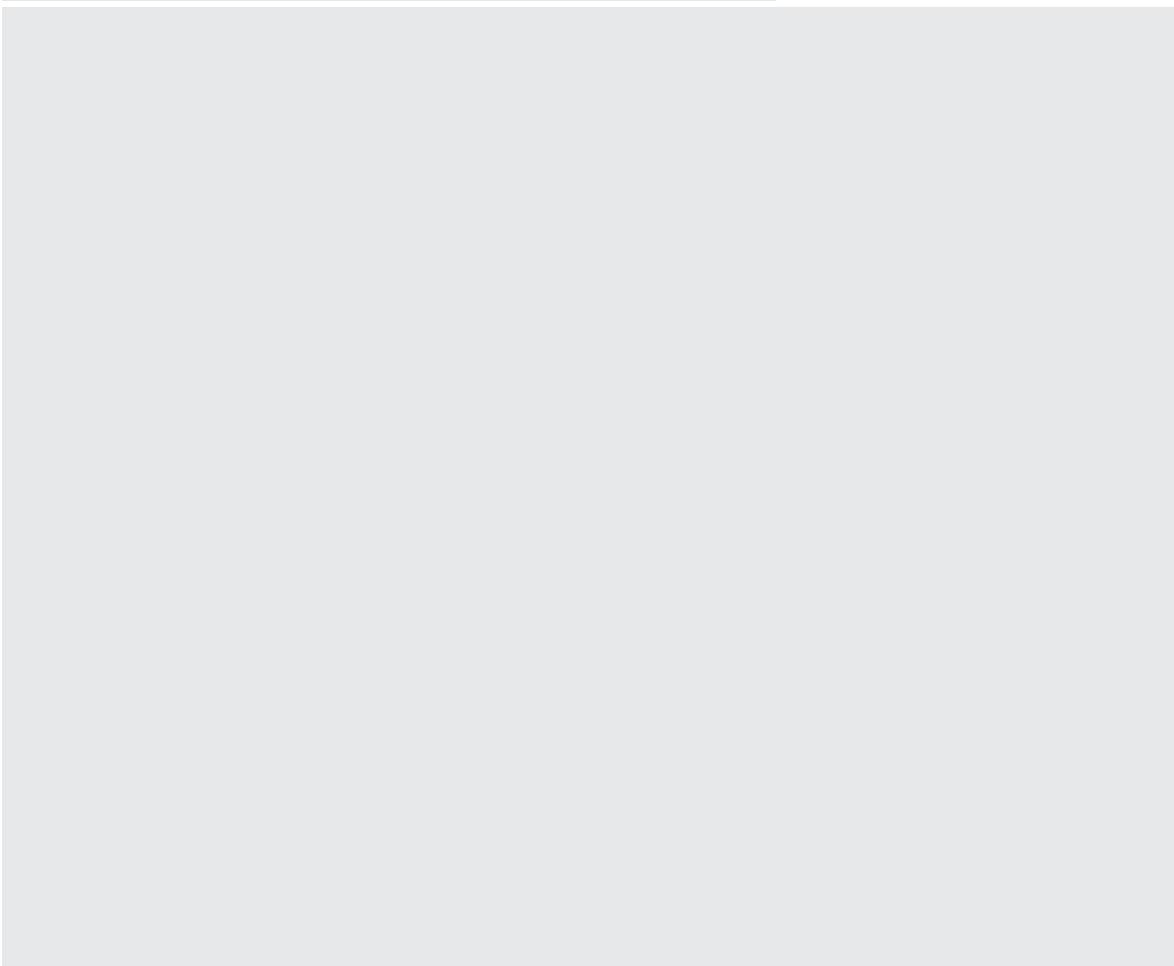
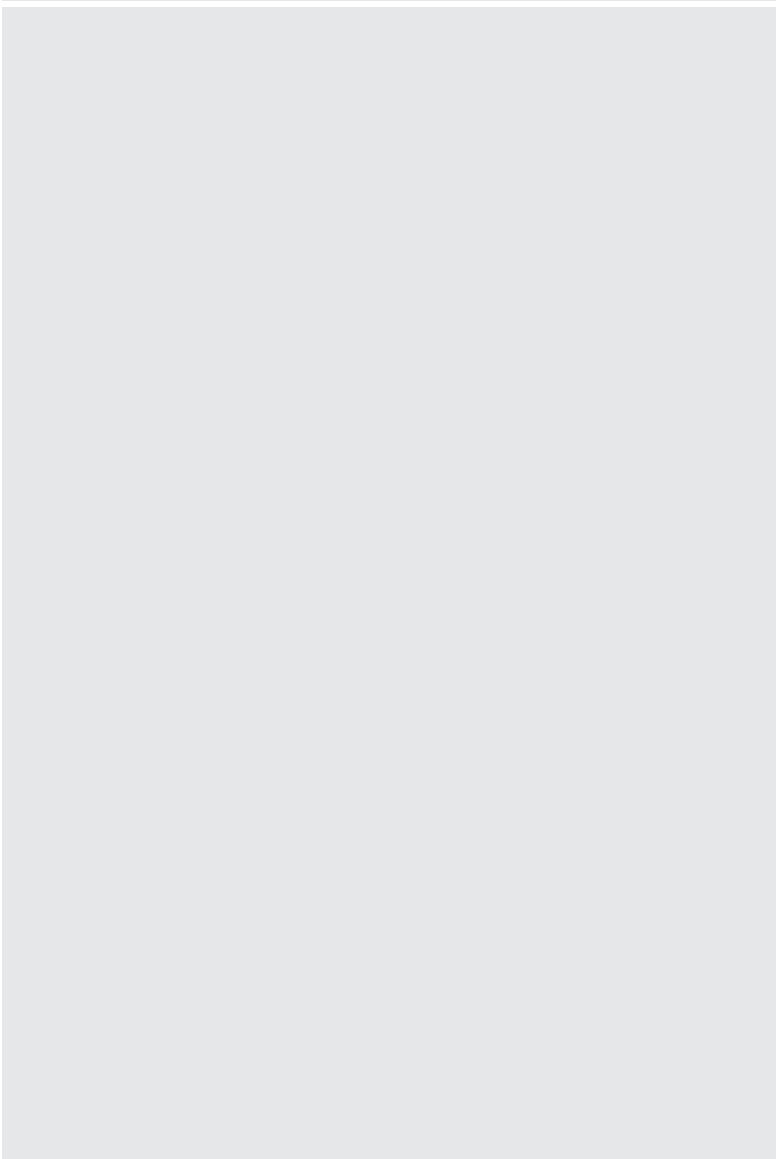
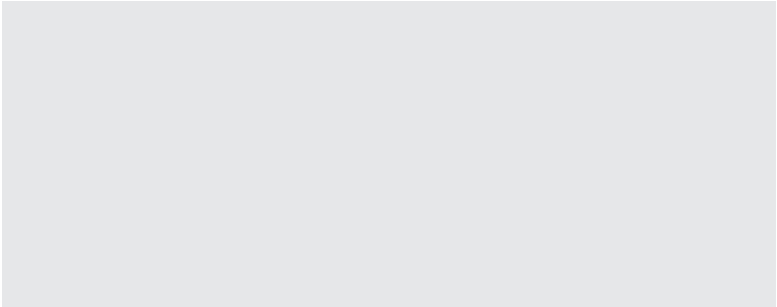
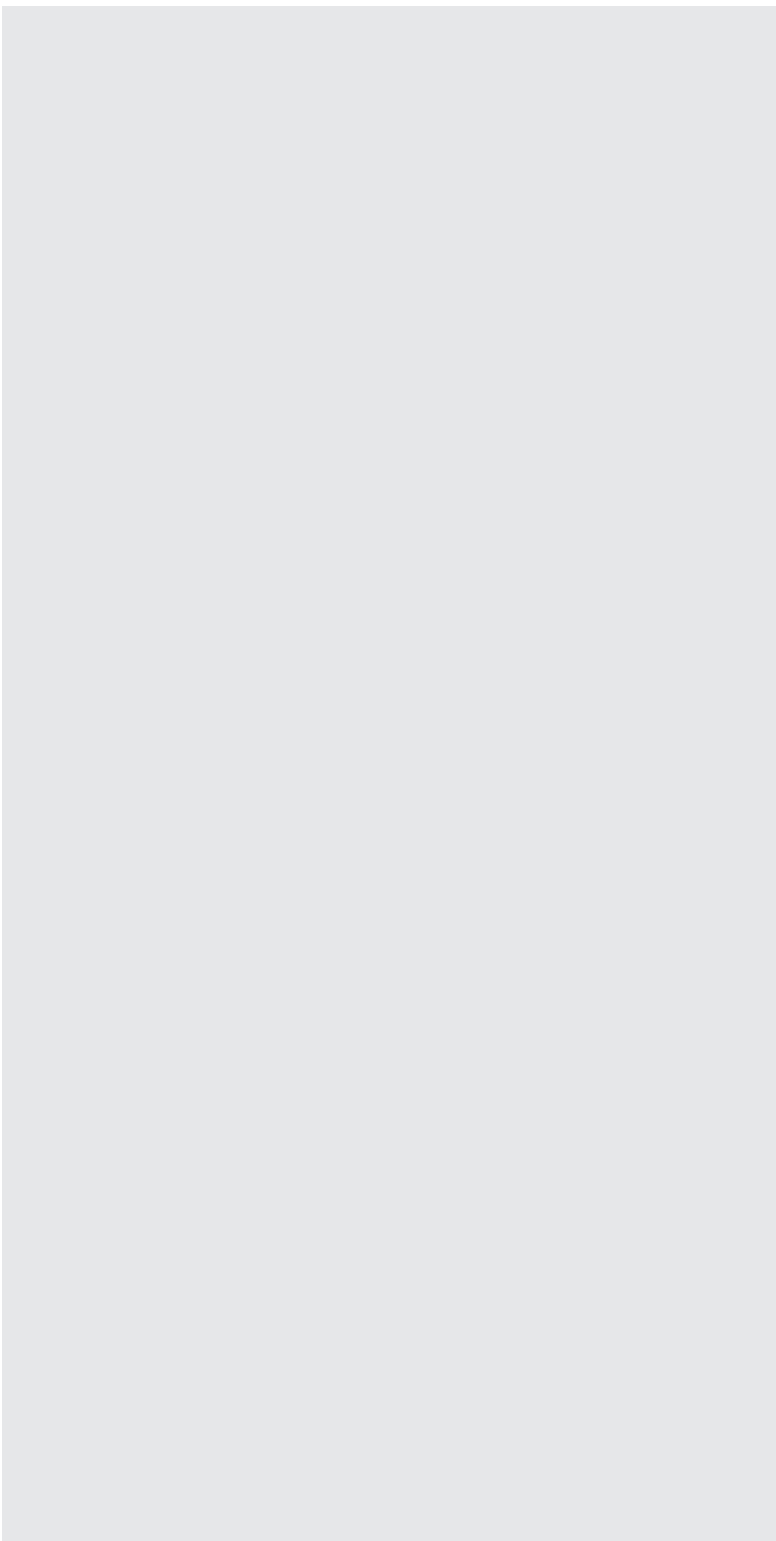
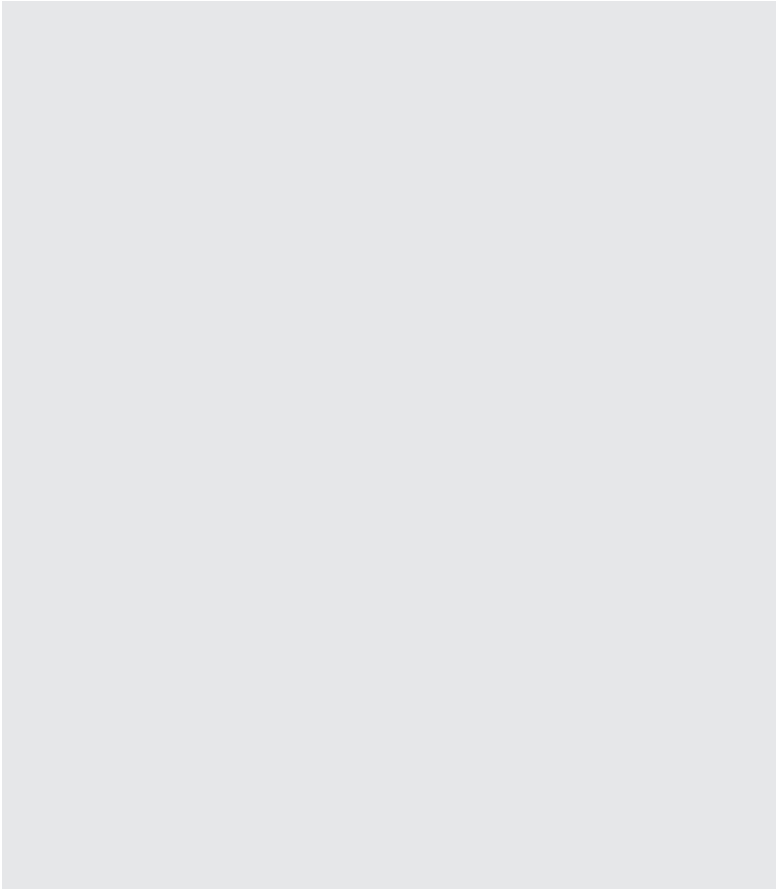
The Environmental Flight funded this project in an effort to promote use of rechargeable batteries and help conserve resources.

It was determined alkaline batteries would be the best choice over NiCad rechargeable batteries for a couple of reasons. First, NiCad batteries are tracked as a hazardous material and disposed of as a hazardous waste, while the rechargeable alkaline's can be thrown in the trash after the life of the battery has been exhausted. Second, alkaline rechargeable batteries do not have a life memory, so the battery does not have to be completely drained before recharging.

A NiCad battery will only recharge for the amount of time of which it was used. The battery charging units can hold up to eight batteries and are designed to use only Rayovac rechargeable alkaline batteries. The rechargeable alkaline batteries have an expected life of 25 charges. Recharging takes three to five hours for AA and AAA batteries and overnight for C and D size batteries.

Just to give some idea of the potential cost savings, the typical four packs of AA alkaline batteries cost approximately \$5. After eight uses, the battery has recovered the cost of using one-time use alkaline batteries. Since the 66th Civil Engineer, Environmental Flight incurred the initial cost, the savings for users start immediately.

Starting Monday organizations can stop by the HAZMART, Bldg. 1729 to get charging units and batteries. Batteries come in AA, AAA, C and D size variations. Battery recharging units and batteries will be hand-receipted to an individual within a work area or organization. There are limited quantities, so issues will be on a first-come, first served basis. The batteries and charge stations are only for office, work area use, and can not be used for personnel use. Offices with beepers, flashlights or other equipment requiring batteries can stop by the HAZMART to get "free" issue alkaline batteries and charging station. What's the catch? The HAZMART and Environmental Flight ask to continue to purchase rechargeable alkaline batteries in place of the single use alkaline batteries.



# Assistance (from page 1)————

Although all the affiliate organizations of the fund specifically help Air Force families, each one of them does it in a slightly different way. Besides the society, the three other organizations that comprise the fund are the Air Force Village Foundation Inc., the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation and the Air Force Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependents Home Foundation Inc.

The Air Force Village Foundation Inc., provides financial assistance to widows and widowers of Air Force Active and Retired Officers. Its primary goal is to provide a home for widows and widowers who otherwise would not have anyplace to go. But it also provides support to active duty members through its surviving spouse, dependent parent and other programs.

Named for the father of the Strategic Air Command and former chief of staff of the Air Force, the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation helps both officer and enlisted widows and widowers. The foundation offers monthly supplemental grants to assist with food, rent, utilities and some health care needs.

Helping widows and dependents is also the goal of the Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependents Home Foundation. Rather than offering grants to those in need, this foundation maintains 379 housing units in Fort Walton Beach and Shalimar, Fla.

# OWC Ball

## Raising money for Scholarship Program

by Wendy Johnson  
Officer's Wives' club

As graduating seniors and dependent spouses begin to reach for the stars and achieve their dream, so does the 2nd Annual OWC Scholarship Ball through it's theme "Reach For The Stars."

This event benefits the Scholarship Program and last year contributed over \$6,400 to the future of

the scholarship selectees. This elegant evening will be held Saturday, March 20 in the Officers' Club Ballroom and feature a silent auction.

Some items to be auctioned include a one week stay at a condo in Hilton Head S.C., a two karat diamond tennis bracelet, a television, framed art work, an aerial tour of New England lighthouses, Red Sox tickets, and ruby earrings. Dinner will feature filet mignon while music

will be provided by the Air Force Band of Liberty's New Horizons for dining and dancing. Attire is mess dress with black tie optional. Cost for this event is \$35 per person for Top Three, Field Grade and above, GS-12 and above and \$30 per person for all other interested guests. Reservations required by March 15. OWC members can contact their reservation committee member. Other guests can call Kay Kimmet at 274-9974.

# Kickboxing, helping keep our people in shape

Commentary by Leesa Sparks  
Fitness and Sports Center

Is cardio kickboxing the new craze? Well we at the Fitness and Sports Center officials believe it is.

In case you haven't had a chance to go to one of our kickboxing classes or haven't heard, I want to tell you a little about them. It's a fun full body workout combining aerobics, cardiovascular and body toning while learning valuable self-defense tactics, it improves strength, muscle tone, body definition,

endurance, self control, self esteem, and self confidence while reducing fat and stress levels.

Some classes are non-contact and others are contact, meaning we put on gloves and practice punching special boxing pads that are mounted on the back wall.

It benefits all fitness and ability levels and will give you the results you've always wanted. Your stamina, coordination, and strength are constantly challenged. Come out and join us punching, kicking and blocking.

For information contact the Fitness Center at 3-3639.

=====

*Police Corner*

=====

**by Staff Sgt. Brennon J. Slieff**  
66th Security Forces Squadron

*The Police Corner is a synopsis of significant activities developed from reports, complaints, incidents or information received from Feb. 12 to 18.*

**Reports and Incidents**

- ❑ Security Forces responded to a minor vehicle accident on Vandenberg Drive near Gate 1.
- ❑ Security Forces investigated a report of damage to private property in the Trailer Court. Witnesses related they had seen three juveniles inside a trailer that was under renovation. When the owner checked his quarters, there was some damage. The youths were identified and interviewed.
- ❑ Patrols responded to Bldg. 1503 upon report of a woman screaming. Patrols arriving on scene determined that an individual had tried to

gain unlawful entry into his ex-girlfriend’s room. The individual was identified and placed under apprehension.

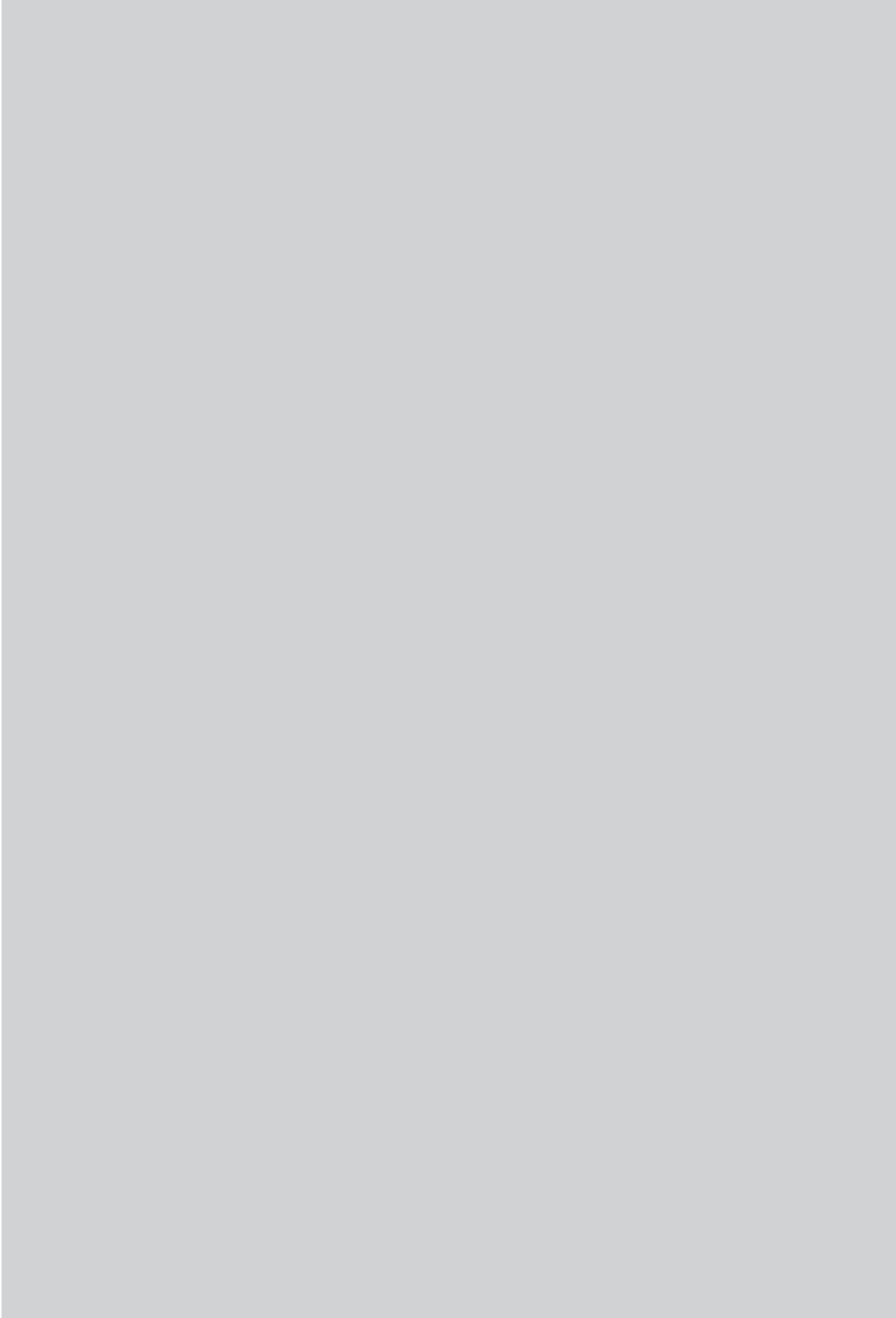
- ❑ Security Forces assisted five people who had locked themselves out of their vehicles.

**If you have information on any of the above crimes, call the 66th Security Forces Tips Line at 3-4359.**

**Citations Issued: 3**

**Tip of the Week**

As a reminder, with warmer weather around the corner, more of Hanscom’s Community will be biking, blading and boarding. In accordance with DoD regulations, anyone using these modes of transport is required to wear a helmet. Better safe than sorry.





Veterans (from page 1)

When asked why she volunteered for this event, Donna Forand of ESC Global Air traffic Operations waxed patriotic: “They guarded and protected our freedom and independence and gave us the highest quality of life of any nation on this planet. For this and more, they will always remain my heroes.”

New to Hanscom, Tech. Sgt. Lauren Long of the 66th ABW Social Actions volunteered in an effort to branch out from the base and meet some new people, as well as to spend time with veterans. According to Long, “I don’t feel like I volunteered ... I feel more like I was privileged to be among so many wonderful people – on the bus, in our group and in the hospital.”

Master Sergeant Daniel Mazzuca of the 66th Mission Support Squadron viewed the visit as a great opportunity to teach his son about volunteerism. “Basically, I feel that the best time to learn about benevolence is during one’s youth. I thought this would be a great opportunity for my son, Nathan, to see us helping others. We had a great time. You could see faces light up when a seven-year old entered their room with a heart-shaped balloon. That alone makes it worth the trip.

As a matter of circumstance, there was a sense of family for the active duty volunteers, and quiet resignation to the thought that some day they could be the patients. Would any “family” members come to visit?

Staff Sergeant Earl Farrell of the 66th Medical Group pondered, “This is something that each and every active duty member should do because we are all part of a big family. Family members support each other.”

For some, the visit was an opportunity to put their own life in perspective. One volunteer, preferring anonymity, stated that her “life hadn’t been going so well lately,” and that she “just needed a little reminding of what it could be like ... Regardless of how my life is going today, it could be worse and sometimes I forget this.”

Of course there were many interesting stories told by the veterans. Capt. Michael Traw of ESC Milsatcom visited with a WWII veteran and vividly recalled his dramatic story. “I spent the later part of my visit with an ex-POW. He was captured at 19 years of age in WWII by German forces in Italy and was held in Stalag 2B, ‘or not 2B’ as he candidly recalled.

“I was enthralled by his story. I was fortunate enough to hear his first hand account how he and his fellow soldiers were captured, tortured, shot, and death-marched across the cold winter terrain of Germany as the Allied forces began closing in. His fascinating story climaxed with the surviving 250 men of his camp overtaking and killing the German guards as they marched them ruthlessly to another POW camp.

“Finally free in enemy territory, they overtook a farm, gathered the scattered German guns and artillery and

fortified the farm. The letters “POW” were formed out of white bed sheets on the farm territory. Once American planes discovered the POWs, they began providing close air support as the Germans retreated from the front lines and approached the farm. He said half joking, they killed more Germans that day than the rest of the war.

“[Lastly], American trucks and tanks reached the farm. Once there, they passed out rations and cigarettes. He remembers looking around seeing all his fellow soldiers, emaciated and tattered, most weighing around 100 lbs., all crying. They cried because the greatest country in the world and Her soldiers had not let them down. They were again free men.”

Other veterans conveyed their experiences without a single utterance, as Airman First Class Isa Bolotin observed. “I wanted to laugh while speaking with some of them and cry while speaking with others. The most incredible stories come from the men and women who can’t speak, but whose eyes light up with life and joy when they see a visitor. The experience was very moving.”

With forward momentum from this event and the keen interest of dozens of volunteers, Hanscom’s Patriot Senior NCO Association is taking the initiative to set up an “Adopt a Ward” program to coordinate more frequent visits to the Bedford VA hospital.

If you or anyone you know is interested in this contact Senior Master Sgt. Steven Spellberg at 3-5244 or Master Sgt. Guy Case at 3-2782.

Basketball Standings

Intramural basketball			MSS	2	6
			Lincoln Lab #1	1	7
			SPS	0	8
Teams	W	L	Over 30 basketball		
GA	8	1	Team	W	L
AFRL	6	2	Bulls	5	2
SVS	6	3	Lakers	4	3
JS	6	3	T. Wolves	3	3
Youth Center	5	3	Celtics	3	4
Clinic	5	3	Rockets	3	4
Lincoln Lab #2	5	3	Knicks	2	5
AWACS	4	5			
CE	3	6			

Read the  
Hansconian  
online at  
<http://www.hanscom.af.mil/Hansconian>

# Calendar of Events

## Today

### Scholarship auction

The Enlisted Wives' Club's Scholarship Auction will take place today at the Enlisted Club. The silent auction will begin at 4:30 p.m., the live auction at 8 p.m. All proceeds will go to the Scholarship Fund.

To donate an item or get information call Grace Burleigh at 274-7458.

### Retirement Ceremony

Maj. Thomas E. Woolpert will retire from the Air Force after 22 years of service. Join us at his retirement ceremony, at 11:30 a.m. today at the Community Center. Reception to follow

For information contact 1st Lt. Butch Ray at 3-6859

## Wednesday

### Acquisition Reform in the Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile Program

Judy Stokely, program director of the Air-to-Air Joint Systems Program Office, Air Armament Center; and Charles Anderson, vice president Air-to-Air Missiles, Raytheon Missile Systems, will give a briefing in the O'Neill Auditorium, Bldg. 1612, Wednesday, 8 to 10 a.m.

The briefing will cover, "Acquisition Reform in the Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile Program. The purpose of this briefing is to present the acquisition reform success story for the AMRAAM Program by demonstrating that a government and industry partnership can derive mutual benefits from overhauling the business practices of older acquisition programs.

## Upcoming and Weeklies

### Hanscom immunizations clinic

Hours of operation  
Monday 7:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 2:30 p.m.

## Patriot Dining Facility

<b>The weekday hours of the facility are as follows:</b> <b>Breakfast — 6 to 8 a.m.</b> <b>Lunch — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Dinner — 4 to 6 p.m.</b> <b>Weekend and holiday hours:</b> <b>Brunch — 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.</b> <b>Supper — 4 to 6 p.m.</b>
<b>Friday</b> Lunch: braised beef cubes, Cajun baked fish* Dinner: stuffed franks, turkey and broccoli casserole*	<b>Tuesday</b> Lunch: turkey cutlet, pasta with clam sauce* Dinner: mock fillet, baked chicken breast*
<b>Saturday</b> Brunch: knockwurst with sauerkraut, chicken stir-fry* Supper: barbecued meatballs, fishwich	<b>Wednesday</b> Lunch: cheese manicotti, beef lasagna Dinner: vegetable tetrazzini, turkey curry
<b>Sunday</b> Brunch: spaghetti with meatsauce, roast turkey* Supper: chicken patty, shrimp egg rolls	<b>Thursday</b> Lunch: barbecued beef cubes, chicken stir-fry* Dinner: honey glazed cornish hen, Italian sausage
<b>Monday</b> Lunch: baked turkey and noodles,	

*Items listed with an "\*" are "Check it Out" Healthy items. For information on the Patriot Dining Facility or the menu, contact Master Sgt. Harold Warnett at 3-2189. NOTE: Menu items subject to change.*

## Hanscom School Menu

<b>Monday</b> Grilled cheese sandwich, cup of soup, niblet corn, fruit cup	<b>Tuesday</b> Hot dog on bun, mustard, ketchup, relish, oven baked fries, sweet carrots, fruit	<b>Thursday</b> Apple cinnamon French toast sticks, maple syrup, lite sausage, juice, fruit	<b>Friday</b> Cheese pizza or fish pattie on roll, niblet corn, fruit cup, cookies
---	--	--	---

Tuesday	7:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.
Wednesday	7:30 to 11 a.m. and Closed*
Thursday	7:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.
Friday	7:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.**

\*Wednesday afternoon we are closed for allergy testing  
\*\*The first Friday of the month we are closed in the afternoon for medical readiness training

For information, you may reach us through the Base Web Page or by calling us at 3-3531.

### Nutrition fair

The Uniformed Services Family Health Plan is sponsoring a free nutrition fair and cholesterol screening at the Officers Club, March 11, from noon to 2 p.m. Free raffle prizes will also be given away.

For information, call Cara Cicconi at (617)562-5548.

### Shiely, Wright, O'Neill Awards Banquet

The annual Electronic Systems Center Shiely, Wright, O'Neill banquet will be held next Wednesday. The event recognizes ESC's finest acquisition programs and professionals for 1998. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Dress requirement for military members is service dress, while civilians should wear business suit attire. Banquet attendees have their choice of chicken piccata or broiled whitefish. Cost is \$22 for club members; \$25 for nonmembers.

For information, contact Capt. Brad McDonald at 3-9017.

### Tax Assistance is as close as your telephone or internet browser

If you are like most Americans during tax season, you're spending the majority of your tax preparation time figuring out which forms you need to file and the proper way to fill them out. Don't get frustrated - log on to the internet or pick up the telephone and get the experts to help you with your income tax questions.

For federal income tax questions you can call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040; for forms call 1-800-tax-form, or you can visit their web site at [irs.ustreas.gov](http://irs.ustreas.gov). Your organization's representative can also help with your federal income tax questions. Once you identify your representative, make an appointment to see him or her.

You can pick up the most frequently used federal forms, instructions and schedules on the first floor of the Brown Building (1305). They are located in the same office space as Vehicle Registration, against the back wall of the waiting area, next to the copier.

### New Woburn shuttle times

The schedule for the shuttle runs to the Woburn Logan Express terminal will be changed effective March 8. The schedule is being altered to meet peak customer demands and better use vehicles and drivers. If you have any questions about the Woburn shuttle, call Vehicle Operations Dispatch at 3-2588.

The new shuttle schedule is:

Leave base	Arrive at Woburn
5 a.m.	5:30 a.m.
7 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
noon	12:30 p.m.
3 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
6 p.m.	1830 p.m.
10 p.m.	10:30 p.m.

### Men's Base Volleyball

Anyone interested in trying out for or coaching the men's base volleyball team should call Staff Sgt. Chris Asuncion at 3-3353 or 3-2752.

### Volunteers needed

The Child Development Center staff is looking for volunteers to take care of the fish tank in the lobby of the CDC. Children of all ages have

enjoyed watching the beautiful freshwater fish in the tank, but many of the center's volunteers are unavailable to care for the tank due to PCSing.

If interested in feeding the fish, helping to clean out the tank or change the water, contact the Parent Advisory Board chairperson, Jim Reinold at 981-0791, or the CDC staff at 3-7166.

### Family Services seeks coordinator

The Family Support Center is recruiting for the volunteer position of Family Services Volunteer Coordinator. Other current vacancies include Welcoming and Loan Locker Committee Chairs. Family Services is the hub of activity for families and singles arriving and departing Hanscom.

The Volunteer Coordinator position is a six-month term requiring 10 to 20 hours per week. Free childcare is provided for all volunteers. The coordinator oversees seven volunteer programs, ensuring quality services are provided in the Loan Locker, STRIPES, Layette, Welcome Committee, Office, Playgroup and Brochures. The coordinator also chairs monthly board meetings, organizes special events and provide two-way communication between 20 volunteers and the Family Support Center staff. Candidates should be well organized and have excellent people skills. Computer skills and prior Family Services experience are desirable, but we will train.

For information call Sondra Albano at 3-4222.

### Airman Education and Commissioning Program

The application process has begun for the next Airman Education and Commissioning Program selection board. The application cut off date for a memorandum of academic eligibility to AFIT/RRE April 1. This program is open to airmen who wish to pursue a baccalaureate degree in meteorology, computer engineering, electrical engineering, foreign languages and foreign area studies. Applicants who successfully complete their academic phase of AECP will enter Officer Training School.

Applicants should contact the base education office for additional information, 3-3120.

### Volunteers needed

Put your expertise to work, and make a difference in someone's life. You might even develop new skills. Either way, you'll certainly improve your community and make new friends. And if that's not enough, we help you help us by offering free child care and flexible hours - all this by volunteering at Family Services. "Worker-bee" and leadership positions are available in the areas of office, lending locker, Attic, brochures, welcoming, STRIPES, layette and special projects. If you enjoy a challenge and want to be a part of a winning team, call Jacqui Thomas at 3-4222.

### Housing office closure

The Family Housing office will be closed every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. for staff meeting and training. Emergency service can be handled by calling 3-4590.

For information call Kim Kintzel, housing manager at 3-3387.

### Civil Engineering Environmental Flight

Household hazardous waste turn-in is from 8 to 9 a.m. every Tuesday. This turn-in is available for both on-base residents and base organizations.

For information contact 1st Lt. Brian MacDonald at 3-4888.

### Computer Based Training arrives at Hanscom

The Communications and Information Division Training Office provides many computer based training courses to all government personnel assigned to Hanscom.

This program will allow you to download a training course to your computer and take the course at your convenience. The office has more than 100 courses available covering areas such as Windows NT, Microsoft Office, UNIX, and Networking fundamentals. To establish an account contact the SC Training office 3-1253.

### 10th Annual Battle Road Run

The 10th Annual Battle Road Run will be held May 15. Volunteers are needed to conduct this historical 10Km running or walking event. Volunteer positions range from course set-up, start line crew, mile splits, finish line crew, registration crew, post-race crew, water points, publicity, and parking crew.

Any base personnel wishing to volunteer can call or email Jerry Turnbow, Fitness and Sports director at 3-7150.



# Happenings

## Fitness enhancement

□ Weight loss through exercise will be held at the HAWC today from 9 a.m. to noon. The key to attaining and maintaining optimal weight is through healthy eating and regular exercise. Call 3-6560 to register.

## Employment assistance

□ Job search networking group will be held at the Family Support Center Mondays, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Join this group to sharpen your job search skills and share techniques that work. Registration not required.

□ Employment research will be held at the Family Support Center today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Classroom discussion and activities to enhance you ability to research companies and occupations, a skill vital to the job search process. Bring you lunch.

□ Job search networking group will be held at the Family Support Center Mondays, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Join this group to sharpen your job search skills and share techniques that work. Registration not required.

## Education Center, Bldg. 1728, 3-2021

□ A chemical safety for audits class will be held Tuesday to March 5 at the Education Center, Room G, Bldg. 1728. This course provides an overview of chemical process safety management, risk management planning, hazard evaluation, emergency planning, and chemical safety auditing.

This course is intended for individuals who are responsible for reviewing emergency response and safety programs at chemical plants, petrochemical plants, refineries, or chemical storage facilities.

□ The Education Center will administer the Graduate Requisite Examination General Exams April 12. The deadline to register is Monday.

## Patriot Enlisted Association

□ The association is an open forum for all technical sergeant's and below to discuss our issues as peers. We build teamwork to make a difference in our community and serves as your voice to the ESC command chief master sergeant on issues such as dorms, community involvement, and quality of life matters. Monthly meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the Enlisted Club.

For information contact Senior Airman Knoll 3-3379.

□ PEA vs. CGOC Basketball Game scheduled for today at 1:30 p.m. in the Base Gymnasium. Everyone is welcome, and if you wish to join the team contact Senior Airman Sullivan 3-5331.

## Officers' Wives' Club

□ Scholarship applications will be available today at the Base Education Office, the Enlisted Club, the Officers' Club, the Base Library, the Family Support Center and the Guidance Counselor Office of the local area high schools, including New Hampshire. Scholarships are open to high school seniors and dependent spouses. Applicants must be a dependent of an active duty, retired, or deceased military member of any branch of the service, to include members of Wives' Clubs and reside in one of the six New England States. There will be two special category awards. One in engineering and the other to a vocational-technical school. Applications must be postmarked by March 18. Contact Amy Nicholls at 274-9117 or Jeanne Richter at 275-1251 or 3-2022 for information.

□ Everyone is invited to the 2nd Annual OWC Scholarship Ball March 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Officers' Club Ballroom.

The theme this year is "Reach For The Stars." This evening will feature a meal of filet mignon, music by the Air Force Band of Liberty, and a spectacular silent auction.

All proceeds from this event will benefit the OWC Scholarship Fund. Reservations required by March 15. OWC members contact your reservation committee member at your earliest convenience.

For information or to make a reservation call Kay Kimmert at 274-9974.

## Enlisted Wives' Club

□ The members of the Enlisted Wives' Club invite eligible people to attend the general membership meeting in the Tuskegee Dining Room at the Patriot Enlisted Club on the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

Meetings are open to all spouses of enlisted personnel and all enlisted military personnel, married, or single. The EWC is involved in many community activities at Hanscom and have fundraisers to help support the community. The group enjoys many social activities and outings throughout the year. Experience the friendship and support that the EWC has to offer.

For information concerning the EWC and membership, contact President Tricia Kemens, at 275-9431 or Membership Chairperson, Marty Rockenstire, at 274-7948.

The Enlisted Wives' Club Royal Scholarship Auction is tonight at the Enlisted Club.

□ The EWC will host a silent auction today at 4:30, with the live auction to follow at approximately 8 p.m.

Two of the evening's highlights are a TV and an antique quilt from the Amish Mennonite area, circa 1920. Think about how different those items are, and you'll understand why there's something for everyone at tonight's auction.

Items up for auction include a variety of glass, porcelain, and china collectible items, Beanie Babies, a Furby, and a very special cross-stitch. There will be sports memorabilia, items direct from Michael Bolton, jewelry, and overnight packages for various bed and breakfasts, inns, and hotels such as the Mount Washington Resort, Thoreau's Walden Bed & Breakfast, and the Greenfield Inn of New Hampshire. Adventures such as Alpine Snowmobiling and Scenic New England Flights are also waiting for you!

Col. Chris Anzalone, 66th Air Base Wing commander, donated the exciting opportunity to "Be the Wing Commander" for a day. Artwork from a local artist is also up for auction.

For information, contact Kemens at 275-9431, or Marty Rockenstire at 274-7948.

## Boy Scouts

□ Hanscom Boy Scout Troop 173 is having a turn-over in adult leadership due to military PCS moves.

If you are interested in volunteering as a Scoutmaster, troop committee member, or working with the boys in any other capacity, please contact Scout Master, Mark Bergeron at 274-9389 or 271-6179; Troop Committee Chairman Walter Avila at 274-0372 or 3-8958.

□ The Boy Scout program offers boys ages 11

to 18 the promise of adventure, friendship, learning, challenge, responsibility, and much more. To make this a reality, our community needs adult leaders, civilian, military—active duty or retired, to maintain a viable program. The efforts of our volunteer leaders have made a difference and they have had fun with the scouts, please volunteer and help us continue this Hanscom tradition.

## Religious Activities

### Chapel, Bldg. 1603, 3-3538

□ **Catholic masses:** Saturdays at 5 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 and 11 a.m. and weekdays at 12:05 p.m.

□ **Protestant worship:** general Protestant Service — Sundays at 9 a.m.; Gospel Service — Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

□ **Jewish services:** the first and third Friday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

□ **Eastern Orthodox:** for information contact Tech. Sgt. James M. Boubonis at 274-8714.

□ **For information** on chapel services, call 3-3538 or 3-3539.

## Chapel Events

### Gospel Music Extravaganza

You are invited to the annual Hanscom Chapel Community-wide Gospel Music Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

The extravaganza will feature Hanscom's Gospel Male Chorus, the Inspirational Voices of Praise, Gospel Children's Choir and The New England Conservatory Gospel Choir and other groups from the Boston area. After the musical treat you are invited to a tasteful reception in the chapel annex.

### Choirs, Choirs, Choirs

Both the Catholic and Protestant Chapel programs on base have a variety of excellent music opportunities for you and your family.

The choir options for you are: folk, bell, children's, gospel, praise, and solo opportunities. You would be welcomed and warmly received as a new member. Contact the chapel at 3-3538 if you have any choir questions.

Many special pieces are being rehearsed beginning next week for Easter specials ... come and make your Easter complete.

### Youth Groups

The Protestant and Catholic Youth Groups in the chapel are making plans to attend the June 4 Atlanta Braves and Boston Red Sox game at Fenway Park.

The Protestant Youth meet every Wednesday night at the chapel for pizza at 5:30 p.m. and the Catholic youth meet monthly for pizza. Contact Chap. (Lt. Col.) Thomas Sandi for Catholic youth information or Chap. (Maj.) Gary Smith for Protestant youth information.

Tickets are going to go quickly for the June game.

### National Prayer Lunch Honors America's Religious Heritage

From the time the Pilgrims set foot on the beach at Plymouth Plantation to the anxious days of Desert Storm, Americans have long sought the guidance and protection of God.

Much of our history reveals a belief that God was making a way in the wilderness for a new nation based on the principle that all are equal before their great Creator.

Since World War II, Prayer Breakfast Groups from the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives have met to discuss spiritual needs and seek Divine guidance. What began with members of Congress has grown to include leaders from all facets of government, both civic and military, in recognition that freedom of religion is essential to a democratic people.

Hanscom will hold its' annual National Prayer Observance with a luncheon Tuesday, at the Officer's Club beginning at 11:30 a.m. The Chief of the Air Force Chaplain Service, Chaplain, Maj. Gen. William Dendinger, will talk on "Freedom, Faith, and Ministry."

This year's program also includes the Lexington Minutemen, the Colonial Brass of the Band of Liberty, the Catholic Parish Folk Choir, and the Protestant Bell Choir. Cost is \$8 for club members and \$11 for non-members per person for a choice of chef's salad or grilled chicken salad and amenities.

Tickets may be purchased at the Officer's Club between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. before Wednesday. No tickets will be sold at the door.

For information contact Chap. (Capt.) Dennis Saucier at 3-3538.

## People's Corner

### 66th Logistics Squadron (LG)

Happy birthday to **Capt. Eric Wilson, Rick Lavoie, Senior Master Sgt. Tony Hollins, Senior Airman David Villarreal, Senior Airman William Roth Jr, Erin D'Amarino, Charles Murray and John Stotik.**

Welcome **Staff Sgt. Lenore Beloin** and **Mike**

### Burton.

Congratulations to **Christos Zousimas** and **Staff Sgt. David Smith** for winning AFMC Supply Awards and to the LG athletes for winning the Sports Trophy at the Winter Carnival.

Farewell and best wishes to **Senior Airman Thomas Revak** and Senior Airman Renelle Rivers.



Selected from hundreds of nominees representing six different organizations, these men and women are the best and brightest the Electronic Systems Center has to offer. They are the few that have risen to the top and just like ESC are ...

# Soaring into the next millennium

## ESC selects award winners

by Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer  
ESC Public Affairs

Electronic Systems Center officials announced the winners of the 1999 ESC annual awards at a banquet last night in the Hanscom Officers' Club.

The competition considered nominees from Hanscom and all five of ESC's operating locations across the United States.

## Airman of the year



**Staff Sgt. Cynthia L. Spears, Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.**

As a computer systems analyst for Standard Systems Group, Spears resolved over 1,600 network, mainframe, and small computer problems in support of day-to-day flightline, security force, personnel, logistics, and financial missions from over 450 DoD sites worldwide.

In the community involvement area, Spears volunteered 528 hours of her off-duty time as a worker for the American Red Cross by participating in humanitarian actions for the city of Elba, Ala., after a major flood devastated the community.



## First Sergeant of the year



**Master Sgt. Robert C. Rockenstire, 66th Air Base Wing, Hanscom AFB, Mass.**

During Rockenstire's time as first sergeant of the 66th Civil Engineering Squadron the unit has won Best Small Size Civil Engineering Unit twice. Rockenstire's concern for troops led to his developing and establishing a First Sergeant Inprocessing Program to help out newcomers.

Rockenstire is the base project officer for the Special Olympics and has spent numerous hours coordinating over 80 volunteers, transportation and advertising for events. He is also the president of Operation Concern in which he manages an over \$15,000 budget and numerous fund raising activities.



## Senior Civilian of the year



**Lori A. Tullos, 38th Engineering Installation Wing, Tinker AFB, Okla.**

As the Air Force Stock Fund manager, Tullos developed the annual operating budget in support of more than 200 customer accounts valued at \$9.7 million. She ensures daily sales to unit cost ratios do not exceed the command standard and prepares the four-year budget and operating programs for the General Support Division of the Air Force Stock Fund.

As a volunteer, Tullos is involved in many things including being the leader of the Tinker Federally Employed Woman's Council, Membership Committee and being a committee member of the Federal Executive Board.



## NCO of the year



**Master. Sgt. Lavis F. Coure, Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.**

Coure was selected to assist the first sergeant's office and be the superintendent of Mission Support Information Management. She managed to perform both her old position in protocol and the superintendent position for two months when no replacement came for the protocol position.

Coure volunteered her time to read to students at Cedar Park Head Start as part of the Gunter Kiwanis Reading is Fundamental Program. She also mentored three senior airman by helping them find scholarship money through research.



## Company Grade Officer of the year



**Capt. Robb C. Johnson, Electronic Systems Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.**

As the chief of operations for Tactical Automated Security Systems, Johnson leads 40 government and contractor support personnel tasked with the development, acquisition and deployment of TASS for joint service applications.

Johnson, a dedicated member of the Patriot Honor Guard, provides posting details and funeral services for the entire New England area, which for 1998 included 23 funeral details, four of which were for Air Force active duty members.



## Senior NCO of the year



**Master Sgt. Mario D. Ware, Electronic Systems Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.**

Ware, as a superintendent of test and evaluations, assured reliable operation of over 2,500 desktop computers across a \$13 million Local Area Network and oversaw the LAN help desk which fields approximately 1,300 customer trouble calls a month.

Due to his volunteering efforts Ware was able to help the local public school with its computer needs by repairing broken computer systems or donating new ones and aided in installing a new network. He also trained teachers and their assistants in the use of the computers and the internet in the classroom.



## Junior Civilian of the year



**Barbara P. Akins, Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.**

As part of her duties as executive support assistant, Akins is the resource manager for Contracting and is responsible for all manpower issues to include both civilian and military personnel actions and acquisition requirements.

Akins is the chairwoman of the first Contracting Social Committee within which she planned and coordinated several functions throughout the year such as a bowling tournament, annual award winner luncheon, director's farewell picnic, after-IG bowling party and Thanksgiving and Christmas parties.







# Services

Editorial comment is edited, prepared and provided by the 66th Services Squadron at Hanscom. All photos are Air Force photos unless otherwise indicated. Any questions about this supplement may be addressed to Joan Barnhart at 3-9681.

## What's Happening in Services

### Flight Training Center Bldg. 1722, 3-560

□ The next private and instrument pilot groundschool is coming the first week in March. Course meets one day a week from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuition is \$140 for the 11 week course. Books run \$108 for private pilot course and \$125 for the instrument pilot course.

### Outdoor Recreation Bldg. 1531, 3-5316

□ Don't forget to use Outdoor Recreation for your shipping needs. We ship UPS.

□ Ask us about our "Frequent Skier Program."

□ Great deals for eligible patrons of Services for snow sports through **Operation Ski and Snowboard** (OpSki), an annual program developed especially for the Armed Services.

For information and details call Outdoor Recreation at 3-5316.

□ 1999 Massachusetts hunting, fishing, and sporting licenses are now available. Hunting and fishing combination is \$29 and a full sporting license is \$46.50.

### Base Library Bldg. 1530, 3-2177

□ **Story Time** for children takes place every Tuesday, 10:15 to 11 a.m. Children ages three to five are invited to join us for stories and craft activities.

□ Library hours are as follows: Monday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed Sundays and holidays.

□ Federal and Massachusetts state tax forms are available at the Library.

□ OWC Scholarship applications are available at the Library.

### Youth Center Bldg. 1993, 3-3739

□ **Baseball Registrations**, for ages five to 12, are being accepted. \$25 for members and \$37.50 for nonmembers. Parents are reminded to bring copies of a physical exam and proof of age when registering.

### Fitness and Sports Bldg. 1548, 3-3639

□ The Fitness and Sports Center offers **17 aerobic classes** each

week. Stop by or call for schedule and details of class levels and times.

□ If you haven't renewed your locker, it will be reissued. Annual fees are \$12 for general lockers and \$30 for Senior Staff Locker Room.

□ **10th Annual Battle Road Run** will be held May 15. Volunteers are needed to conduct this historical 10km run or walk event. Please call Jerry Turnbow at 3-7150 if you are interested in helping.

□ **Free Individual Fitness Assessments** are available at the center. Call the customer service department at 3-3639 for an appointment. Days and times are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 a.m. 3 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. We will determine your fitness condition and develop a workout program to meet your goals. Assessments are based on the Cooper Institute for Aerobic Research.

### Child Development Center, Bldg. 1994, 3-7166

□ **Hourly Care** for children six weeks to age five. Call one week in advance for reservations. Space is limited and available to first come, first served. Hours are 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

□ **Caregiver positions** are available. For information call the Human Resource office at 3-8741.

□ We have openings in part-day preschool as well as 3 and four year old full day care.

### Family Child Care Bldg. 1994, 3-1280

□ Love working with children? Want to be your own boss and set your own hours? Then give the Family Child Care office a call and learn more about becoming a Family Child Care provider.

### Hanscom Lanes Bldg. 1531, 3-2237

□ Hanscom Lanes is smoke free 5 days a week: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday all day.

□ **Bowling Bingo** runs daily from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Win up to \$1,000. Only \$1 per chance.

□ **Family Bowling** is March 13 and 27. Choose from 3 to 5 p.m. or 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. Cost is \$7 per lane for 2 hours of bowling.

□ **Glow Bowling** is March 6 and 20. Make it a fun night for the whole family beginning at 7:30 p.m. and

don't forget to bring a friend.

□ **King and Queen of the Hill Tournament** is tomorrow. Start time is 7:30 p.m. Call for registration information.

### Swimming Pool Bldg. 1550, 3-2455

□ Pool hours are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (adult laps) and 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 6 p.m. The pool is closed on Sundays and holidays.

□ **Lifeguard Instructor Course** offered March 6 to 7 and 13 to 14 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Skill test will be held March 2 and 5.

Call for information.

□ Private swim lessons are available upon request. Cost is \$60 for 8 lessons.

Call the pool for information.

□ The Town of Bedford and the base pool are offering **water aerobics** classes Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Cost is \$70 for 10 weeks or \$4 per class.

For information call 3-2455.

### Auto Hobby Shop Bldg. 1702, 3-2612

□ The base car wash is being renovated to include a new "touchless" car washing system. It will also include a do-it-yourself wash bay. Look for our grand opening in March.

□ Tired of the hassle of getting your car inspected off-base! Come to the Auto Hobby Shop. No appointment necessary.

The Golf Shop at the Patriot Golf Course will open March 15. Operating hours will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 1999 Annual Green Fee Cards and 10 play cards may be purchased. Select golf merchandise will be on sale during March.

Racquetball Tournament  
March 16 to 19  
Register at the  
Fitness and Sports Center  
\$5 per person  
Cash prizes awarded.

## Club Happenings

### Patriot Enlisted Club, 3-2123

□ Tuesday Night Dinner, 5 to 7 p.m. \$9 for adult members. A children's menu is available for \$4.50. Surcharge applies.

□ Wednesday Night Buffet is 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$6.95 for adult members, \$3.95 for kids. Surcharge applies.

□ Thursday Lunch Buffet, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$5.50 per person, surcharge applies.

□ Karaoke Thursday in March. Karaoke will not be held March 25.

□ Everyone is invited to enjoy the Tuskegee Airmen Room at the Enlisted Club. As a reminder, this is a designated non-smoking area.

□ Bingo every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. A chance to win over \$300 in cash.

□ Club Card Drawing every Friday night. Win instant cash from the last four numbers of your club card. You must be present to win. If there is no winner, the pot will increase by \$25 each week.

□ Attention all members. Get a friend to join the club and you receive one month's free dues. Call us for details.

### Officers' Club, 3-3799

□ Start your day with us, every weekday morning from 7 to 9 a.m. for specialty coffees, bagels, muffins and more. Open to all base personnel.

□ First Friday Membership Night is March 5 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

□ Come and enjoy a great lunch of steak, baked potato or fries, salad, vegetable and more for only \$6 (members only please) every Thursday during lunch. Regular price is \$12.50 for all nonmembers regardless of eligibility.

□ All You Can Eat fish 'n chips every Friday in March from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Price includes fountain drink or coffee. Members \$4. Surcharge applies to eligible nonmembers.

□ Steak Night every Thursday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

□ Club Catering Services are available for that special party or function. Call Karen Cardoos at 3-9694 for more information.

□ Sunday "Champagne Brunch," Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Open to all base personnel. Adults \$9.95, children ages six to 12 \$5, and kids five and under are free.

□ Attention all members. Get a friend to join the club and you receive one month's free dues. Call us for details.



Join the Patriot Enlisted Club or the Officers' Club today and receive **two months free** dues. Club members - bring on a new member and you receive one month's free dues. Hanscom's clubs offer dining opportunities, social activities, relaxation and

**Club Membership ... It Pays! Join today and get two months free dues.**

entertainment. Members receive benefits such as: discount coupons in the monthly calendar, \$15 in coupons during your birthday month, a free buffet for members and spouses the first Friday of the month (O'Club), discount lunch and dinner specials and check cashing privileges. Don't forget our Club Catering services.

### Tickets and Tours Bldg. 1531, 3-3262

□ Tickets, tours and more: **Taj Mahal Casino and Resort**, March 7-9, \$135 per person, double occupancy; **Ragtime**, March 14 and 21 at 2 p.m., \$70 at the Colonial Theater; **Stars on Ice** featuring Tara Lapinski, Kristi Yamaguchi, Ilia Kulik, Scott Hamilton and more, March 2 at the Worcester Centrum, 7:30 p.m., \$47 per ticket. Tour the **Best of Ireland**, March 9 to 17 or April 20 to 28, \$1,149 per person, double occupancy plus tax. **Champions on Ice** at the Fleet Center, April 18, \$43; **Southern Belles and Riverboats** featuring New Orleans and Biloxi, March 18 to 24, \$999 per person, double occupancy, \$1,299 per person single. **Titanic**, June 13 and 20 at 2 p.m., at the Wang Center,

\$66 per ticket. **Chicago**, May 9 and 23, at 2 p.m. at the Shubert Theater, \$66. **Maine Lobster Bake** at Bill Fosters, July 13; \$45 per person.

□ Coming in the Fall ... watch for on sale announcement of tickets for **Camelot**, Sept. 27 at the Wang Center and **Jekyll and Hyde** Oct. 3.

□ Coming attractions include **Nova Scotia**, June 12 to 19 \$929 per person, double occupancy; **Salem, Gloucester and Rockport** Aug. 11, \$50; **Myrtle Beach, Daytona Beach, Washington D.C.**, May 20 to 23, \$352 per person, double occupancy; and **Vermont**.

□ We have discount movie tickets for General Cinema, Showcase Cinema, and Sony Theaters for only \$5.50 each. Don't forget your 1999 Entertainment discount books.